

Maple Leaf Adventures

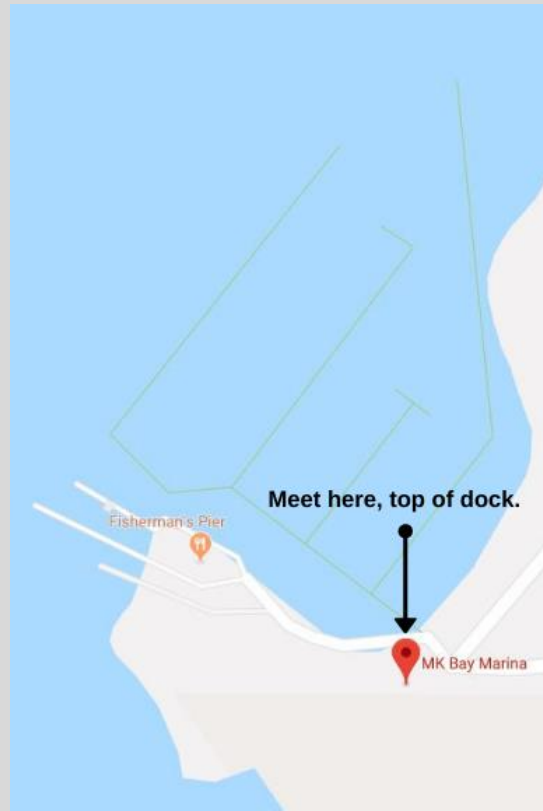
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How to Get There and Back

Great Bear Rainforest October 8-15, 2020 aboard **MV Cascadia**

Trip Start Location



Kitimat, BC, MK Bay Marina, Kitamaat village, (nearest airport is in Terrace, BC, YXT)

The crew will meet you at the entrance to the marina at the top of the dock. They will assist you with your luggage.

Boarding Time

Boarding time is at **2:00 PM**

While you are making your way to the ship your crew is busily preparing for your voyage. Our turnaround activities between trips are precisely timed and as it is important to us that the ship is in top shape for your arrival, please plan to only arrive at the designated boarding time.

Port of Return

Bella Bella, BC, Bella Bella Municipal Wharf (closest airport is ZEL)

**Please note: Flights in and out of Bella Bella can often change times, please plan your connecting flight accordingly. Please let us know if any changes affect your travel plans.*

Disembarking Time

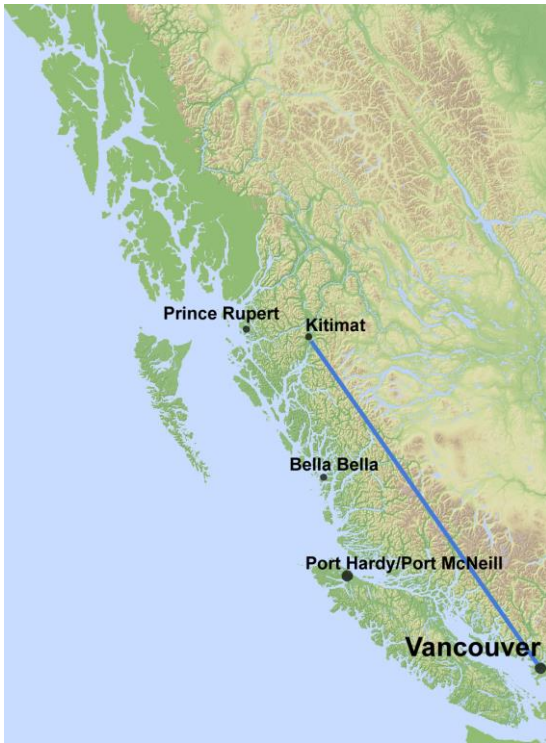
Guests disembark on the last day at **11:00 AM**

First and Last Meals

First meal aboard: Welcome aboard snack

Last meal aboard: The famous Maple Leaf Brunch on the last day of the trip

How To Get To And From The Ship



By Air:

The nearest airport to Kitimat is in Terrace, BC, about a 45-minute cab ride from the MK Bay Marina. This airport is the Northwest Regional Airport. The following airlines fly daily from Vancouver to Terrace:

Air Canada Phone: 1-888-247-2262 www.aircanada.com

West Jet Phone: 1-888-937-8538 www.westjet.com

Taxi to the Ship

Prior to leaving for your trip you will need to call to reserve a taxi to take you from the airport to the ship at MK Bay Marina.

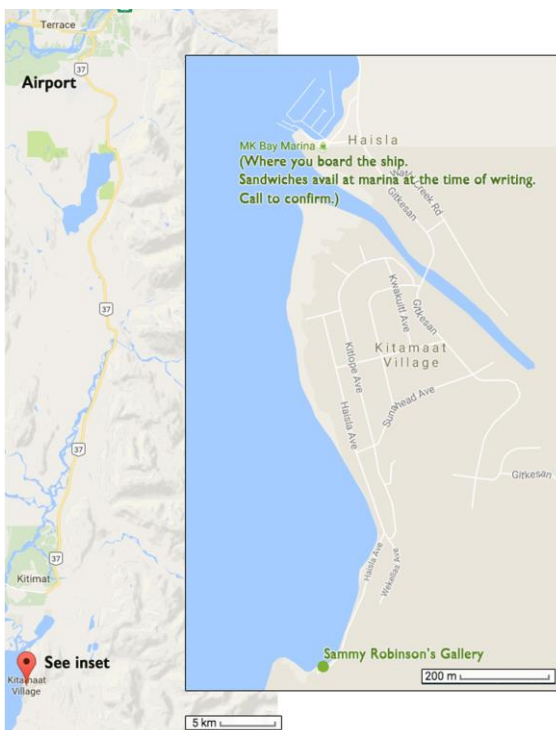
•Kalum Kabs (250) 635-7177

Please ensure you tell Kalum Kabs that you are going to MK Bay Marina for a trip with Maple Leaf Adventures.

•This is so that Kalum Kabs sends enough capacity to the airport for the various airplane passengers' needs.

(\$40/person)

Things to Do in Kitimat on the Day Your Trip Starts, Before You Board



If your flight arrives earlier than 1.5 hours before the trip start on the day of the trip start, you may have a couple of hours available before the boarding time.

The Kitimat area is comprised of **two communities**: Kitimat (originally a mill town) and Kitamaat Village, the village of the Haisla people. They are separated from each other by a road that goes around the head of an inlet, which is about a 15-minute drive. *See map to left.*

As with many coastal communities, **public transportation options are extremely limited** or nonexistent so you need to plan to get around with a vehicle such as a taxi.

One option for this time is to plan to visit the gallery of master Haisla carver Sammy Robinson, and have lunch before or afterward. Sammy does not have set hours and says "just drop by". If you wish to contact him, the info is:

Sammy Robinson Gallery, tel 250-632-9790, address 416 Hasila Ave in Kitamaat Village (near MK Bay Marina -- not to be confused with Haisla Blvd in Kitimat).

You need to make arrangements with the taxi company to do this.

There are limited places for lunch. If you go into the town of Kitimat first, there are a few places there. If you visit Sammy's gallery first, then, at the time of this writing, MK Bay Marina has sandwiches available in the shop above the docks. Contact them to confirm.

You can also contact the Kitimat tourist information center for what you can do in the small town. **Tourism Kitimat**
www.tourismkitimat.ca 250-632-6294

You do not need to arrive early as our schedule is designed to accommodate incoming flights on the day of departure. But if you would like to arrive a little early and explore the area, Maple Leaf guests have enjoyed their stay at:

Where to Stay

(if you decide to arrive early or stay in the area afterwards)

Best Western Terrace Inn 250-635-0083 4553 Greig Avenue, Terrace

www.bestwestern.com

MStar Hotel Kitimat 1-855-632-7600

<http://www.hotelmstar.com/>

How to get home

By Air:

Pacific Coastal Airlines

1-800-663-2872 www.pacificcoastal.com

Pacific Coastal Airlines flies between Bella Bella and Vancouver, as well as places on Vancouver Island such as Comox and Port Hardy.

Note: Pacific Coastal flies from the (peaceful!) South Terminal at Vancouver International Airport. There is a regular shuttle bus that runs between the Main and South Terminals at Vancouver International Airport.

Allow at least 60 minutes from door to door, plus check-in time, if you are transferring to another flight. Be sure to bring your luggage as it will not be transferred for you between airlines.

Travel Agent and Medical/Trip Insurance

If you would like assistance making your travel arrangements, we are happy to refer you to a travel agent who has worked with Maple Leaf guests before.

We highly recommend trip cancellation insurance that protects you in case certain kinds of emergencies prevent you from making your trip. Ask your travel agent for information. It may be purchased at the time your payment becomes non-refundable.

Due to the remoteness of the areas we travel in we **highly recommend travel/medical insurance that covers possible emergency medical evacuation**. Check your existing coverage to see if it's included.

If You Are Delayed And Emergency Contact

Delays

If for any reason you are delayed on the day that you are to meet the ship, please call us so that we can try to assist you in getting to the ship on time. Call us at:

Mon – Fri 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.: 1-888-599-5323 or 250-386-7245

Other times: 250-888-8009 Ship Captain or president Kevin Smith 250-881-3671.

If you miss the ship's departure time and are able to make phone contact with the Captain, we will make every effort to assist you in finding alternative arrangements to reach the ship. Please note the ship cannot wait for passengers and small commercial vessels or float planes are usually relatively expensive options. These costs, should they be incurred, will be the sole responsibility of the passenger.

Contact for Your Family in Emergency If there is a severe emergency at home while you are travelling, your family can use the contact info above to provide a message to you.